National Judicial Commission

†750. SHRI JANARDAN DWIVEDI:
SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA:
SHRI MOTILAL VORA:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to constitute a National Judicial Commission;

(b) if so, the purpose thereof;

(c) by when the Commission would be constituted; and

(d) the benefits expected to the common mass as a result thereof and how the Judiciary would be made accountable?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI K. VENKATAPATHY): (a) and (b) Government proposes to set up a National Judicial Council which will receive complaints against the Judges and conduct investigation whether the complaint is frivolous, vexatious or is not made in good faith or whether there are sufficient grounds for investigation into the complaint.

(c) and (d) The modalities for setting up of the National Judicial Council, in consultation with all the stake holders, are being worked out.

Election Commission's directive to Bihar

751. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI:
SHRI AMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Election Commission has recently directed the State Government of Bihar to execute all non-bailable warrants pending against the criminals and conduct special search operation to unearth illegal arms ahead of Assembly Election in Bihar;

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the above directions have since been complied with by the State Government and if so, the number of such persons arrested so far and the arms etc., seized from them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI K. VENKATAPATHY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Election Commission of India vide its letter dated 18th June, 2005 has requested the Government of Bihar to issue necessary instructions:-

(i) For execution of all non-bailable warrants that are pending in the State and for sending a consolidated district-wise report to the Commission every week beginning 1.07.2005.

(ii) For conduct of special search operations to unearth illegal arms and for sending a consolidated district-wise report to the Commission every week beginning 1.07.2005;

(iii) For taking preventive actions against habitual offenders and anti-social elements and for sending a consolidated district-wise report to the Commission every week beginning 1.07.2005.

(c) A Statement based on the information furnished by the Election Commission of India is enclosed.

Statement

Cumulative Report on Execution of Non-bailable warrants and recovery of illicit Arms

Sl. No.	Report for the Period	Week ending July 7, 2005	Week ending July 14, 2005
1.	**Total Non-bailable warrants pending**		
	(a) Previous pending	24707	22001
	(b) Received during the week	2416	7620
	(c) Total pending	27123	29621
2.	**Non-bailable warrants executed during the week**	5122	6005
	(a) Cumulative execution	5122	11127

Sl. No.	Report for the Period	Week ending July 7, 2005	Week ending July 14, 2005
3.	**Balance non-bailable warrants**	22001	23616
4.	**Number of illegal arms recovered during the week**		
	(a) Arms/Weapons	48	116
	Cumulative	48	164
	(b) Cartridges	127	392
	Cumulative	127	519
	(c) explosives	0	18
	(quantity/numbers)		
	Cumulative	0	18

Computerisation of High Courts

752. SHRI R. SHUNMUGASUNDARAM: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allocated and utilized by the High Courts for computerization of record and other modernization projects;

(b) whether the percentage of pendency of cases has reduced after modernisation; and

(c) what is the existing pendency in each High Court?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI K. VENKATAPATHY): (a) It is the primary responsibility of the State Governments to provide infrastructure facilities for the judiciary including computerization of the High Courts. However, in order to augument the resources of the State Governments and Union Territories, central government has been providing funds for development of infrastructure facilities for the judiciary through various plans.

(b) Despite taking various steps for modernization, pendency in High Courts has increased.

(c) A Statement showing the existing pendency in each High Court is annexed.